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FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION NEW DELHI INFO CALCUTTA AND MADRAS  
ON FEB 04, 1975. NEW REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO.

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E. O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR IN

SUBJ: INDO-PAK COTTON AGREEMENT

REF BOMBAY 257 (NOTAL)

1. INDO-PAK COTTON AGREEMENT REPORTED REFTEL SIGNED BY INDIAN  
AND PAKISTANI COTTON DELEGATIONS SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1 IN BOMBAY  
PROVIDING FOR IMPORT OF 200,000 BALES OF PAK COTTON 15/16 OF  
AND INCH TO ONE INCH, FOR SHIPMENTS MARCH THROUGH AUGUST 1975.

2. IMPORT PRICE FOR FIRST 100,800 BALES WILL RANGE FROM 33  
CENTS PER POUND, AND FOR SUBSEQUENT SHIPMENTS FROM 32.75 CENTS  
PER POUND, F.O.B. VARIETIES WILL BE MAINLY NT AND AC134,  
SUITABLE FOR 20S WARP. EXPORTING MILLS WILL GET PRIORITY ON  
ALLOTMENT OF THIS COTTON. DUTY ON PAKISTANI COTTON REPORTEDLY  
WILL BE REDUCED TO FIFTEEN PERCENT, FROM PRESENT FORTY AND VAL-  
OREM, TO MAKE PAKISTANI COTTON ATTRACTIVE TO MILLS.

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3. ACCORDING TO AN INDIAN COTTON MILLS FEDERATION SOURCE, GOI INTENDED IMPORT ONLY 100,000 BALES FROM PAKISTAN, BUT AGREED TO NEGOTIATE FOR 200,000 BALES IN RESPONSE TO PRESSURES FROM THE INDIAN MILL INDUSTRY WHICH IS WORRIED ABOUT SHORTAGE OF SIMILAR INDIAN STAPLES. IN THIS REGARD, MINISTER OF COMMERCE D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA IS QUOTED IN LOCAL PRESS AS SAYING GOI CONTRACTED TO IMPORT PAK COTTON "SPECIFICALLY TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF EXPORT PRODUCTION". MINISTER SAID AT SAME TIME THERE IS SHORTAGE OF 800,000 BALES OF SHORT AND MEDIUM STAPLES IN INDIA. DESPITE THIS, WE HEAR THAT GROWERS LOBBY OPPOSES THE AGREEMENT.

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